

REMARKS

Upon entry of the foregoing Amendment, claims 65-73 are pending in the application. Claims 65-66 have been amended; and new claims 72-73 are added. Applicants believe that this Amendment does not add new matter. In view of the foregoing Amendment and following Remarks, allowance of all the pending claims is requested.

By the foregoing Amendment, Applicants have amended and/or cancelled various claims solely for purposes of expediting prosecution of this Application. Applicants expressly reserve the right to prosecute the subject matter of any claim pending prior to the foregoing Amendment, or any other subject matter supported by the Specification, in one or more continuation and/or divisional applications.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Examiner has rejected claims 65-71 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,118,435 to Fujita *et al.* ("Fujita"). Applicants traverse this rejection because the reference relied upon by the Examiner does not teach or suggest all the features of the claimed invention.

More particularly, Fujita does not teach or suggest at least the feature of "a first piezoelectric actuator coupled to the touch screen, the first piezoelectric actuator comprising a moving portion and a stationary portion, wherein the first piezoelectric actuator is configured to output a haptic force to the touch screen by actuating the moving portion in response to the first signal" as recited in claim 65. Fujita does not appear to teach or suggest a moving portion and a stationary portion of a piezoelectric actuator, let alone a moving portion actuated in response to the first signal as claimed.

For at least this reason, the Fujita fails to teach or suggest all the features of the claimed invention. Accordingly, the rejection is improper and must be withdrawn.

Claims 66-71 depend from and add features to claim 65. These dependant claims are not taught or suggested by Fujita for at least the reasons set forth above with regard to claim 65. Accordingly, the rejection of these dependant claims is improper and must be withdrawn.

New Claims 72-73

Applicants have added new claims 72-73, which depend from and add features to claim 65. These new claims are not taught or suggested by the reference for at least the reasons set forth above with regard to claim 65. Accordingly, these newly added dependant claims should be allowed over the reference.

CONCLUSION

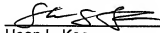
Having addressed each of the foregoing rejections, it is respectfully submitted that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the Application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

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